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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR CULTURAL PRESENTATION FOR 1976 AMERICA DAYS

1. AS THE MAIN NATIONAL COMMEMORATION OF THE AMERICAN BICENTENNIAL IN FINLAND, EMBASSY WILL ORGANIZE TOGETHER WITH 30,000 MEMBER LEAGUE OF FINNISH-AMERICAN SOCIETIES THE 1976 AMERICA DAYS FROM JUNE 11-13 IN TURKU.

2. TURKU WITH A POPULATION OF 185,000 IS FINLAND'S SECOND CITY, THE OLD HISTORICAL CAPITAL, AND AFTER HELSINKI THE COUNTRY'S MOST SOPHISTICATED CULTURAL CENTER WITH FOUR UNIVERSITIES AND UNIVERSITY-LEVEL INSTITUTIONS AND A RICH THEATRICAL, MUSIC, AND ART TRADITION.

3. IT IS, THEREFORE, IMPERATIVE THAT THE U.S. CONTRIBUTION TO THE BICENTENNIAL AMERICA DAYS BE THE BEST BOTH QUALITY-WISE AND QUANTITY-WISE OF THE LAST DECADE. AS ONE OF THE FOCAL POINTS OF THE CELEBRATION, WE WILL NEED A HIGH QUALITY PERFORMING ARTS GROUP PREFERABLY AN OFFICIAL STATE DEPARTMENT CULTURAL PRESENTATION IN THE FIELD OF MUSIC. OTHER PERFORMING ARTS
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GROUPS COULD, HOWEVER, BE CONSIDERED. EMBASSY HAS SOME

\$4,000 IN BICENTENNIAL FUNDS RAISED BY THE AMBASSADOR FROM FINNISH-BASED REPS OF AMERICAN BUSINESS, BUT WOULD NEED DEPARTMENT'S FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO BRING A TOP FLIGHT GROUP.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: THAT CU THOROUGHLY EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY OF SENDING ONE OF THE CULTURAL PRESENTATIONS SCHEDULED FOR AN EASTERN EUROPEAN TOUR TO TURKU EITHER ON ITS WAY IN OR OUT OF EASTERN EUROPE. IF NO GROUP SHOULD BE GOING INTO EASTERN EUROPE DURING TIME PERIOD OF AMERICA DAYS, AMBASSADOR ASKS THAT CU MAKE AN INTENSIVE EFFORT TO FIND A SUITABLE GROUP FOR THE AMERICA DAYS AND ADVISE US SOONEST.
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